



Individuals are not eligible for free firearm permits after applying for or receiving paid firearm (shotgun) permits prior to September 13.

2011 Resident Free "Property Only Hunting" Firearm/Archery Deer Permit Application



APPLICATION INFORMATION

- Free "Property Only Hunting" applications will be accepted as soon as they are available in late March. Firearm applications received after October 19 cannot be guaranteed a permit by the start of the first season (November 18). Archery applications received after September 1 will not be guaranteed a permit by the start of the archery season – October 1. Please assist us by applying early.
- You must use an official 2011 Department of Natural Resources Free "Property Only Hunting" Deer Permit application.
- A resident qualified individual is eligible for up to a maximum of 4 free permits: 2 free firearm and 2 free archery. Permits are not transferable.
- Individuals that apply for or receive Free Firearm Deer permits may apply in the first or second muzzleloader-only lottery.
- Random Daily Drawings – Anyone may apply for any number of remaining permits issued from the first random daily drawing from applications received prior to and including September 13. Random daily drawings will be held up to October 3.
- OVER THE COUNTER PERMIT SALES** – Permits remaining after the Random Daily Drawings will be available over-the-counter from license vendors beginning October 18 on a first-come, first-served basis. Permits will be sold until quotas are exhausted or until the close of the firearm deer season, whichever occurs first. Persons may purchase one or more permits during this period, subject to availability.

Combination archery deer permits will be available by August over-the-counter from license vendors, each consisting of one either-sex permit and one antlerless-only permit. Resident single either-sex archery permits are available by mail only from the Permit Office in Springfield. Applications will be available in mid July with a deadline of September 1.

SEASON DATES AND OPEN COUNTIES

Firearm: You may use either a shotgun, muzzleloader or a handgun with a firearm permit on November 18, 19 & 20 (first season) and December 1, 2, 3 & 4 (second season). Cook, DuPage, Lake and that portion of Kane county east of State Route 47 are closed to firearm deer hunting.

Individuals with unfilled free property only hunting firearm permits may also use these permits with a muzzleloader during the muzzleloader-only season on December 9, 10 & 11 and the Late-Winter Firearm season with a handgun, shotgun or muzzleloader on Dec. 29 - Jan. 1 and Jan. 13 - 15.

Archery: October 1 through January 15 in Cook, DuPage, Lake and that portion of Kane county east of State Route 47. In all other counties and that portion of Kane county west of State Route 47 the archery deer season is October 1 through January 15 **except that archery deer hunting is closed for the two firearm seasons** November 18, 19 & 20 and December 1, 2, 3 & 4.

Archery deer hunting is open during the muzzleloader-only season (December 9, 10 & 11) and the Youth Firearm season (Oct. 8 & 9).

ELIGIBILITY

- Resident landowners, who own 39.5 acres or more of land, and resident tenants, of 39.5 acres or more of commercial agricultural lands may apply for a free permit to hunt the owned, leased or rented property **ONLY**.
- A tenant is one who rents 39.5 acres or more of land for commercial agricultural purposes under an agreement with a landowner. Commercial agriculture shall be defined as utilization of land for the raising of hay, grain crops or livestock for profit.
- Members of the immediate family (limited to the spouse, children and parents permanently residing on the same property as the landowner or tenant), of the landowner or tenant are also eligible to apply for a free Landowner/Tenant Deer permit.
- A hunting rights lease, or other non-agricultural lease is not valid for a free permit.
- If the property is owned or rented by more than one person: Only one landowner (and his immediate family) or one tenant (and his immediate family) will be issued a permit for every 39.5 acres of owned or rented land. For example, if 3 persons own 90 acres, only 2 of the landowners and their immediate families may receive deer permits.
- Shareholders of corporations/members of LLCs/trusts/partners of partnerships applicants – see application instruction #3.**

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- Please call 217 782-7305 if you have any questions. IDNR information is available to the hearing impaired by calling DNR's TTY: 217 782-9175.

- For Landowner Permit – check one box.
- For Tenant Permit – check one box and tenant must affix signature.

The tenant is required to submit, in addition to the landowner certification and proof of ownership, a copy of one of the following documents:

- Submittal of a **copy** of a lease or rental agreement, file stamped as recorded by the County Clerk, covering the current year.
- Submittal of a **copy** of a Farm Service Agency 156 EZ form.

ORIGINALS WILL NOT BE RETURNED.

- For Corporation/LLC/Trust/Partnership – check one box.

Bona fide equity shareholders of corporations, bona fide equity members of limited liability companies, bona fide current income beneficiaries of trusts or bona fide partners of partnerships owning 39.5 or more acres of land in a county may apply for one either-sex permit to hunt the corporation, limited liability company, trust or partnership lands only. Only one permit per 39.5 acres, for a maximum number of 15 permits per

county for corporations, trusts, and limited liability companies and a maximum number of 3 permits per county for partnerships, shall be issued based on ownership of lands by corporations, limited liability companies, trusts or partnerships. Lands leased to corporations, limited liability companies, trusts or partnerships shall not be considered as a basis for a permit for the shareholders/members/beneficiaries/partners of the lessee. Lands held in trust by corporations, limited liability companies, or partnerships shall not be considered as a basis for a permit by the shareholders/members/partners of the trustee. If application is made for a permit based upon lands owned by the corporation, limited liability company, trust, or partnership, a duly authorized officer of the corporation, limited liability company, trust or partnership must sign a notarized statement authorizing the applicant to hunt on the corporate, company, trust or partnership lands for which a permit is being requested. This statement must identify the applicant as a bona fide equity shareholder, member, beneficiary, or partner, as defined in this subsection, identify authorization to hunt and identify that no more than 15 authorizations will be requested per county for the corporation, limited liability company, or trust lands and no more than 3 authorizations will be requested per county for partnership lands. In addition: a) Corporation applicants must submit a copy of ownership interest in a for-profit corporation with a fully-executed stock certificate, articles of incorporation, corporate agreement, resolution or minutes; b) limited liability company applicants must submit a copy of the limited liability company's articles of organization or the operating agreement; c) limited partnerships, limited liability limited partners, and limited liability partnership applicants must submit a copy of the partnership agreement, certificate of partnership or statement of qualification; and d) general partnership applicants must submit a copy of the partnership agreement. These documents must be attached to the application upon submittal to the Permit Office as well as proof of landownership by the corporation/LLC/Trust/Partnership.

Bona fide equity shareholder means an individual who:

- purchased, for market price, publicly sold stock shares in a corporation; purchased shares of a privately-held corporation for a value equal to the percentage of the appraised value of the corporate assets represented by the ownership in the corporation; or is a member of a closely-held family-owned corporation and has purchased or been gifted with shares of stock in the corporation accurately reflecting his or her percentage of ownership; and
- intends to retain the ownership of the shares of stock for at least 5 years.

Bona fide equity member means an individual who:

- became a member upon the formation of the limited liability company; or has purchased a distributional interest in an Illinois limited liability company for a value equal to the percentage of the appraised value of the limited liability company assets represented by the distributional interest in the limited liability company and subsequently becomes a member of the company pursuant to Article 30 of the Illinois Limited Liability Company Act; and
- intends to retain the membership for at least 5 years.
- Members of Foreign LLCs must include the latest, file-stamped, filing with the Illinois Secretary of State as part of the application for a permit.

Bona fide equity partner means an individual who:

- became partner, either general or limited, upon the formation of the partnership; or has purchased a distributional interest in the partnership or limited partnership for a value equal to the percentage of the appraised value of the partnership assets represented by the distributional interest in the partnership;
- intends to retain ownership of the partnership for at least 5 years.

Bona fide current income beneficiary means an individual who;

at the time of application for a permit, is entitled to income (whether income exists or not) from the trust which owns the land the applicant wishes to hunt with no condition precedent (such as surviving another person, reaching a certain age, etc.) other than the trustee distributing the income, and is listed by name in the trust documents as an income beneficiary.

You must submit a **copy** of a trust agreement which must indicate that the trust owns at least 39.5 acres and the applicant is a current income beneficiary of the trust.

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- You must check one box to indicate your permit choice.
- Your social security number or DNR direct customer number.
- Your name and complete address.
- County in which you reside.
- Your date of birth (month, day, year)
- A legal description of the land.
- Proof of land ownership for all applications must be provided by one of the following methods:
 - Submittal of a **copy** of a property deed;
 - Submittal of a **copy** of a contract for deed;
 - Submittal of a **copy** of the most recent real estate tax statement for the property (upon which the landowner's name appears);
 - Submittal of a **copy** of a Farm Service Agency 156 EZ form;
 - Submittal of a **copy** of a trust agreement which must indicate that the trust owns at least 39.5 acres and the applicant is a current income beneficiary of the trust.

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11 LANDOWNER CERTIFICATION

Landowner must affix signature for all applications.

12 APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE/PHONE NUMBER. The application must be signed by the individual whose name is on the application. PLEASE GIVE US A PHONE NUMBER where you may be reached on weekdays.

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